

# FOG

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## A Public-Private Partnership

Fulton County Public Works Water Services needs your help to control **FOG**

**FOG**, or Fats, Oils and Grease, costs Fulton County taxpayers thousands of dollars in damage to sanitary sewer lines every year. The impacted lines cause sanitary sewer man-hole overflows and sewage back-ups into residential and commercial areas. Sewer back-ups cause damage, create health hazards and threaten the natural environment.

Where does **FOG** come from?

Fats, Oils and Grease are by-products of many foods and are used in the cooking of food. Grease is the common term for animal fats and vegetable oil. Grease can be found in such food items as:

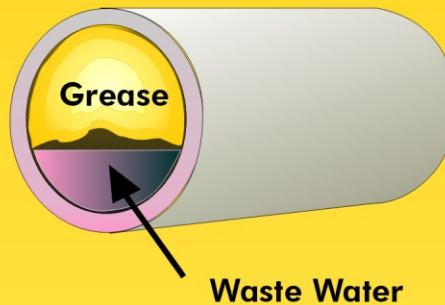
- Meat Fats
- Lard
- Butter or Margarine
- Cooking Oil
- Shortening
- Food Scraps
- Baking Goods

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## Prevent FOG Damage To The Sewer System

**FOG** enters your plumbing system through home garbage disposals, kitchen sinks and dishwashers. FOG coats the inside of your plumbing drain pipes. It then empties into the county's sewer system.



Think of **FOG** as "hardening of the arteries". When cholesterol builds up in the human bloodstream, it causes a heart attack. When FOG hardens in the sewer system, it eventually causes a sanitary system overflow or **SSO**.



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## FOG FATTENS Your Sewer Bill!



## Don't Pour FOG Down the Drain!

Fats, oils and grease entering the sewer system will eventually increase the costs of water and sewer services. The increased costs will ultimately be paid by YOU... the consumer.

## Follow These Easy Steps For Disposal

1. Allow **FOG** to cool. Pour fats, oils and grease into a sealed container. Place container in a garbage can.
2. Wipe and scrape excess **FOG** from plates, pots, pans, utensils, and cooking surfaces before washing.
3. Put greasy paper towels in the garbage.

**You Can Make a Difference!**





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## **Who Do You Call To Report a Sewer Overflow?**

**Fulton County  
Public Works Department  
Water Services Division  
North Fulton Office - 770-640-3040  
South Fulton Office - 770-995-2976**

For information about the FOG program  
and education outreach opportunities  
contact:

**Fernell Patterson  
404-612-8110**

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You may also visit The Georgia FOG Alliance  
website at:  
**[www.georgiafog.com](http://www.georgiafog.com)**



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## **Residential Program**

### **Fat-Free Sewers**

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Public Works Department  
Water Services Division**

